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# Wine List

All Wines and Vintages are subject to availability. All prices are in GBP (£) and inclusive of VAT.



**"I like on the table,  
when we're speaking,  
the light of a bottle  
of intelligent wine.  
Drink it,  
and remember  
in every drop of gold,  
in every topaz glass,  
in every purple ladle,  
that Autumn labored  
to fill this vessel with wine;  
and in the ritual of his office,  
let the simple man remember  
to think of the soil and his duty,  
to propagate the canticle of wine."**

*Pablo Neruda*



## Wine Choices of the Season

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### Sparkling

75cl

**Ca' Vittoria, Riva dei Ciliegi, Prosecco Superiore, Conegliano Valdobbiadene, Veneto, Italy, NV** 36

*An excellent sparkler, surprising anybody with how much flavour can come from it. Real intensity of peachy fruit with a tasting hint of Muscat grape, followed by a lovely long dry finish and kept fresh by its lively, yet not aggressive acidity. Do not be surprised either by its yeasty nose, which is followed by a biscuity palate, as this is not an ordinary Prosecco.*

### White

**Tons de Duorum, Douro, Portugal, 2015** 26

*Made with a unique blend of indigenous grape varieties from Douro Valley, immediately offers fresh tropical and citrus fruit on the nose, paired with white flowers and subtle mineral notes. The palate follows suit and supports the flavour intensity with its vibrant acidity, well-structured body and long finish. Lovely with fresh seafood and fish, or even to sip on its own on a quiet afternoon!*

**E Domaines Schlumberger, Gewürztraminer, Grand Cru Kitterlé, France, 2001** 34

*Coming from one of the most prestigious Grand Crus of Alsace and made by the iconic Domaines Schlumberger, this gem is a real pride to our list. Rich and off-dry with layers of flowers, smoke and spices, as well as delivering an exemplary expression of its vineyard's terroir. Its full body, incredible length and depth of flavours can satisfy even the most demanding fan of Alsatian wines.*

### Red

**Cuvée Amphorae, Maison Williams Chase, Lubéron, Provence, France, 2014** 35

*Complex but also delicate on the nose, the wine expresses fine aromas of violets and ripe red fruits. It exudes a wonderful freshness on the palate, imparted by the use of the amphorae pots. Subtle tannins accompany the notes of spices, wild flowers and red cherries which lead to a smooth yet vibrant finish. A definite winter warmer!*

**B Churton, Pinot Noir, Marlborough, New Zealand, 2012** 66

*Flavoursome, medium bodied and very drinkable wine. Beautifully poised with musk rose, red cherry and strawberry aromatics, it also brings hints of savoury flavours and a great flow of red fruit on the palate. Textured with smooth tannins and complex dried herb and spice, this wine finishes with lovely freshness and long delicate fruit persistence.*

### Dessert

**Samos Nectar, Vin Naturallement Doux, E.O.S. of Samos, Greece, 2009 (37.5cl)** 49

*Made from sun-dried Muscat grapes grown on scattered vineyards on the Aegean island of Samos, its name means "the drink of Gods". Delivering an intense and complex bouquet of dried fruit, sultanas, walnuts and tobacco, this fresh and luscious dessert wine leaves a very long, pleasant and intriguingly complex after taste. Great with cheese, or even spicy desserts.*



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## Wines by the Glass

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*Within the next two pages, you can find almost all the wines, which we can offer by the Glass or the Carafe. They have all been specifically selected to complement our Chef's cooking and they change as our dishes change through the Seasons.*

*Comprehensive as this side of our List may be, it might not be exhaustive of all available options. We could always have a special bottle open, or two, for you to sample from; therefore, please ask a member of our Team and we will be very happy to offer our help and advice.*

	<i>125ml</i>	<i>375ml (Carafe)</i>
<b><i>Sparkling</i></b>		
Ayala, Brut Majeur, Aÿ, Champagne, France, NV	11	
<b><i>White</i></b>		
House of Certain Views, Chardonnay, Unwooded, Hunter Valley, Australia, 2015	6	16
Henri Ehrhart, Riesling, Grand Cru Kaefferkopf, Alsace, France, 2013	7	19
Château Rives-Blanques, Odyssée, Chardonnay, Limoux, Languedoc-Roussillon, France, 2015	8	22
Cline Cellars, Viognier, North Coast, California, U.S.A., 2015	8	22
Domaine Hatzidakis, Assyrtiko, Santorini, Greece, 2015	8	22
Domaines Schlumberger, Pinot Gris, Grand Cru Kitterlé, Alsace, France, 2008	8	22
<b><i>Red</i></b>		
Vondeling, Erica, Voor Paardeberg, Paarl, South Africa, 2013	6.5	17.5
Côte-de-Brouilly, Les Volcaniques, Jacques Charlet, Beaujolais, France, 2015	7	19
Esterházy, Pinot Noir, Burgenland, Austria, 2013	7	19
Gimblett Road, Cabernet - Merlot - Malbec, Pask, Hawke's Bay, New Zealand, 2013	8	22
Viña Salceda, Reserva, Bodegas J. Chivite, Rioja Alavesa, Spain, 2010	8	22
Chinon, Cuvée Terroir, Charles Joguet, Loire, France, 2011	9	25
<b><i>Rosé</i></b>		
Château Villerambert-Julien Rosé, Minervois, Languedoc-Roussillon, France, 2015	6	16



***Sweet and Fortified***

***100ml***

Moscatel de Setúbal Colheita, Bacalhôa, Peninsula de Setúbal, Portugal, 2012	5
Marsala Superiore, Ambra Secco, Lombardo, Sicily, Italy, NV	5.5
La Gitana, Manzanilla, Bodegas Hidalgo, Sanlúcar de Barrameda, Spain, NV	6
Leonor, Palo Cortado, 12 años, Gonzalez Byass, Jerez de La Frontera, Spain, NV	6.5
Meulenhof, Riesling Spätlese, Erdener Treppchen, Mosel, Germany, 2015	7
Triana, Pedro Ximenez, Bodegas Hidalgo, Sanlúcar de Barrameda, Spain, NV	8
Vin Santo del Chianti, Geografico, Tuscany, Italy, 2010	8.5
10 Year Old Tawny Port, Quinta do Noval, Douro, Portugal, NV	9.5
10 Year Old Sercial, Reserva Velha, Barbeito, Madeira, Portugal, NV	10
Margan Estate, Botrytis Semillon, Hunter Valley, Australia, 2012	11.5
Catherine Marshall, Myriad, Elgin, South Africa, 2008	13.5
Tokaji Aszú, 5 Puttonyos, Tokaj Classic Winery, Hungary, 2011	22





# Wines by the Bottle

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## *Sparkling Wines*

*Unmistakably elegant and flavoursome, the sparkling wines of Champagne have rightfully been maintaining their unique world-wide fame among wine lovers for centuries.*

*But did you know that it was the English scientist and physician, Christopher Merret, who documented the principles of sparkling wine making, almost half a century before the claimed invention of Champagne by the Benedictine monks of the Abbey of Hautvillers?*

### **France**

**75cl**

#### ***Champagne***

##### ***White***

Ayala, Brut Majeur, Aÿ, NV (37.5cl)	28
Ayala, Brut Majeur, Aÿ, NV	48
André Clouet, Grande Réserve, Blanc de Noirs, Brut, Grand Cru à Bouzy, NV	51
Pol Roger Rich, Extra Cuvée de Réserve, Demi-Sec, Épernay, NV	67
Veuve Clicquot Ponsardin, Brut, Reims, NV	79
Taittinger, Comtes de Champagne, Blanc de Blancs, Brut, Reims, 2006	163
Louis Roederer, Cristal, Brut, Reims, 1999	315

##### ***Rosé***

Laurent-Perrier, Cuvée Rosé Brut, Tours-Sur-Marne, NV	86
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#### ***Champagne (Magnum Bottles)***

**150cl**

##### ***White***

Bollinger, Grande Année, Brut, Aÿ, 1999	361
Bollinger, R.D., Extra Brut, Aÿ, 1995	542



## Other Sparkling Wines

*It is not a surprise to anyone nowadays, that other countries and regions apart from Champagne make exceptional sparkling wines. The British palate has always been appreciative of a good bubbly, so the examples of our Prosecco from Conegliano Valdobbiadene, or the the English made Gusbourne Estate wine should fit the bill for those moments that call for a little celebration. Besides, there is always time for a bit of sparkle in our life!*

### France

75cl

#### *White*

La Grande Marque, Saumur, Brut, Cave de Saumur, Loire, NV 32

### Italy

#### *White*

Ca' Vittoria, Prosecco Superiore, Riva dei Ciliengi, Conegliano Valdobbiadene, Treviso, NV 36

### England

#### *White*

Gusbourne, Brut Reserve, Traditional Method, Kent, 2011 53



## ***Still Wines***

### **France**

#### ***Alsace***

*Having changed its nationality from German to French, and vice versa, more times than one would be able to mention at present, Alsace has gained the right to claim its own world-class wine making tradition through its long history.*

*French today, Alsace's white wines are the epitome of terroir expression, offering mellow fruit and floral aromas when young, but also ageing gracefully -for decades at some cases- developing their legendary richness and spicy complexity.*

*Family producers such as Domaines Schlumberger and Famille Hugel are the conveyors of the region's great tradition, as well as a great pride for any cellar listing their wines.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b><i>White</i></b>	
Dopff & Irion, Pinot Blanc, Cuvée René Dopff, 2014	28
Henri Ehrhart, Muscat, Réserve Particulière, 2014	29
<b><i>E</i></b> Domaines Schlumberger, Gewürztraminer, Grand Cru Kitterlé, 2001	34
Henri Ehrhart, Riesling , Grand Cru Kaefferkopf, 2013	36
Famille Hugel, Pinot Blanc, Classic, 2014	39
<b><i>E</i></b> Domaines Schlumberger, Pinot Gris, Grand Cru Kitterlé, 2008	41
<b><i>E</i></b> Domaines Schlumberger, Pinot Gris, Grand Cru Kitterlé, 2002	48



**France (Continued)**

***Bordeaux***

*Deeply rooted into the European history -as it was introduced as early as the 1st Century A.D. by the Romans- Bordeaux wine has never failed to gain the appreciation of the British palate; even overcoming difficulties such as the Norman Conquest, the Hundred Years' War and the Napoleonic Wars.*

*Today's clarets continue to deliver their lush and smooth feel, can age exemplary and match almost ideally with any red meat, or cheese course.*

*Châteaux from communes like Pauillac, St Julien and Pomerol on both sides of the Gironde river, bring a great diversity of styles on the table, whereas iconic vintages like 2000, 2005 and 2010 have been offering Bordeaux the chance to showcase both its great tradition and exciting potential.*

*One must also not overlook the white wines of Pessac-Leognan, with Château Lafont Menaut Blanc producing an exceptional dry example of the region's classic Semillon – Sauvignon Blanc blend.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b><i>White</i></b>	
Château Lafont Menaut Blanc, Pessac-Léognan, 2014	53
<b><i>Red</i></b>	
Château Cru Cantemerle, Bordeaux Supérieur, 2012	31
Château Fourcas Dupré, Listrac-Médoc, 2010	59
Duluc de Branaire-Ducru, Château Branaire-Ducru, Saint-Julien, 2008	63
Château Teyssier, Saint-Emilion Grand Cru, 2011	69
La Dame de Malescot, Château Malescot-St-Exupéry, Margaux, 2010	77
Château Chasse-Spleen, Moulis-en-Médoc, 2000	105
Château Duhart-Milon, 4me Cru Pauillac, 1999	110
Clos L'Église, Pomerol, 1999	141
Château Léoville Barton, 2me Cru Saint-Julien, 1986	195
Château Pichon-Longueville Comtesse de Lalande, 2me Cru Pauillac, 2005	226
<b>B</b> Château Pontet-Canet, 5me Cru Pauillac, 2005	252



**France (Continued)**

***Burgundy***

*Ancient, with evidence showing the Greeks of Marseille trading with locals from Northern Rhône and Southern Saône even during the 6th Century B.C., and complex, with its famous Grand Cru appellation system, Burgundy has consistently been highly prized for its vinous produce through the eras.*

*Nowadays, powerful yet elegant Pinot Noirs, as well as complex and intriguing Chardonnays, are produced by small winemakers, or larger négociants, and find their way to our glass, vintage after vintage.*

*Beaujolais and its Crus should not be ignored either, as appellations like Moulin-à-Vent and Côte-de-Brouilly are quality warantees for light, fruity and earthy red wines.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b><i>White</i></b>	
Mâcon-Lugny, Les Genièvres, Louis Latour, Côte Mâconnais, 2013	38
Bourgogne Chardonnay, Michel Prunier et Fille, Côte de Beaune, 2013	40
Chablis, Les Valéry, Jean Durup Père et Fils, Yonne, 2015	45
Chablis 1er cru, Les Fôrets, Moreau-Naudet et Fils, Yonne, 2013	67
Meursault, Henri Germain et Fils, Côte de Beaune, 2013	74
Meursault, Les Vieilles Vignes, Vincent Girardin, Côte de Beaune, 2014	79
<b><i>E</i></b> Puligny-Montrachet, Vieilles Vignes, Maison Roche de Bellene, Côte de Beaune, 2012	86
Chablis Grand Cru, Les Preuses, Domaine Marcel et Blanche Fèvre, Yonne, 2014	104
Chassagne-Montrachet 1er cru, Les Caillerets, Paul Pillot, Côte de Beaune, 2013	116
Chassagne-Montrachet, Marquis de Laguiche, Joseph Drouhin, Côte de Beaune, 2004	137
Corton Blanc Grand Cru, Domaine Chandon de Briailles, Côte de Beaune, 1996	165
<b><i>Red</i></b>	
Côte-de-Brouilly, Les Volcaniques, Jacques Charlet, Beaujolais, 2015	35
Moulin-à-Vent, Domaine Les Fines Graves, Jacky Janodet, Beaujolais, 2015	46
Santenay, Les Vieilles Vignes, Vincent Girardin, Côte de Beaune, 2013	60
Gevrey Chambertin, Louis Boillot et Fils, Côte de Nuits, 2013	78
Beaune 1er cru, Bressandes, Henri Germain et Fils, Côte de Beaune, 2008	82
Nuits-Saint-Georges 1er cru, Clos des Porrets Monopole, Henri Gouges, Côte de Nuits, 2012	92
Charmes-Chambertin Grand Cru, René Bouvier, Côte de Nuits, 2011	152



**France (Continued)**

**Loire**

*The valley surrounding Loire, the 1,000 mile long river, starting from the forefeet of Massif Central in South France and reaching the French Atlantic coast in Pays Nantais, is the home to one of the world's most versatile wine regions.*

*Made with grape varieties such as Chenin Blanc, Sauvignon Blanc and Melon de Bourgogne, Loire valley whites range from the light and yeasty Muscadet, to the richer and sweeter Vouvray and Coteaux du Layon.*

*Lighter, but still substantial and complex reds are made with Cabernet Franc within the sub-regions of Saumur and Touraine; Charles Joguet's Cuvée Terroir from Chinon is a brilliant example of these styles.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
Muscadet Sèvre-et-Maine, Sur Lie, Domaine Le Fief de La Brie, 2014	28
Le Boulay, Sauvignon de Touraine, Domaine Jean-Marie Penet, 2014	29
Pouilly-Fumé, Domaine Thibault, André Dezat et Fils, 2015	43
Vouvray, Château Gaudrelle, Alexandre Monmousseau, 2014	44
Sancerre, Domaine Jean-Max Roger, Cuvée C.M., 2014	48
Savennières, Clos du Papillon, Domaine des Forges, 2014	49
<b>Red</b>	
<b>E</b> Chinon, Cuvée Terroir, Charles Joguet, 2011	44

**Jura**

*Between Burgundy and Switzerland, just under the French Alps, lies Jura, which traditionally produces white wines of outstanding quality.*

*The locally developed sous-voile wine making shares a lot in common with Sherry and its methods. The occasional blending of indigenous varietals, like Savagnin, with the more classic Chardonnay grape, results into the distinctly fresh, yet savoury style of the region's wines.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
<b>B</b> Champ Divin, Chardonnay, Côtes du Jura, 2013	49
<b>B</b> Champ Divin, Cuvée Pollux, Chardonnay/ Savagnin Sous Voile, Côtes du Jura, 2011	57



**France (Continued)**

***South France***

*The two pillars of Southern French wine making are the Rhône Valley and Provence, on the eastern side of the region, and Languedoc-Roussillon, adjacent to the borders with Spain to the west.*

*Appellations like Châteauneuf-du-Pape and Crozes-Hermitage carry their own trademarks for deep, spicy reds and strong whites, whereas the likes of Madiran and Bandol can be equally exciting with their offering of rich and earthy reds.*

*Special mention needs to be given to our chosen Provençal producer, who happens to be very much English and is none other than the Chase family. Based in Lubéron, they produce their definitive rosé year after year, alongside with their forward-thinking red, Cuvée Amphorae.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b><i>White</i></b>	
Picpoul de Pinet, Domaine des Lauriers, Coteaux du Languedoc, 2015	26
<b>E</b> Château Rives-Blanques, Odyssée, Chardonnay, Limoux, Languedoc-Roussillon, 2015	41
Crozes-Hermitage Blanc, Les Charmeuses, Domaine Mucyn, Northern Rhône, 2013	48
<b><i>Red</i></b>	
Cuvée Amphorae, Maison Williams Chase, Lubéron, Provence, 2014	35
Madiran, Domaine Mouréou, Patrick Ducournau, Gascony, 2013	36
Bandol, Le Galantin, Provence, 2012	44
Crozes-Hermitage, Les Entrecoeurs, Domaine Mucyn, Northern Rhône, 2014	44
Saint Joseph, Tour d' Arras, Pascal Jamet, Northern Rhône, 2014	48
Châteauneuf-du-Pape, Télégramme, Domaine du Vieux Télégraphe, Southern Rhône, 2013	75
<b><i>Rosé</i></b>	
Maison Williams Chase Rosé, Lubéron, Provence, 2015	29
Château Villerambert-Julien Rosé, Minervois, Languedoc-Roussillon, 2014	31



## Italy

*Famous for its Roman ancestry, as well as for its contemporary sense of taste and passionate lifestyle, Italy is one of the greatest wine producing countries of the world on all accounts; history, quality, diversity and quantity. Wines of great history and recognised quality from classic regions, such as Nebbiolo from Piemonte, join hands with popular and favourite refreshers like Pinot Grigio, or even some more forward-thinking examples like the reds from Etna, in order to represent Italy's proud past, great present and exciting future.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
Amanti del Vino, Pinot Grigio, Colline Pescaresi, Emilia-Romagna, 2015	24
Lugana, Vigne Alte, Zeni, Veneto, 2015	38
Terre Dora, Fiano di Avellino, Terredora Di Paolo, Campania, 2014	52
<b>Red</b>	
Ca' Solare, Barbera d'Asti, Agricola Araldica, Piemonte, 2012	26
Valpolicella, Zeni, Veneto, 2014	29
<b>E</b> Chianti Classico, Riecine, Tuscany, 2014	53
<b>E</b> Allegracore, Etna Rosso, Fattorie Romeo del Castello, Sicily, 2013	62
Amarone della Valpolicella Classico, Vigne Alte, Zeni, Veneto, 2011	78
Barolo, Ginestra, Paolo Conterno, Piemonte, 2006	112

## Germany

*The fact that Germany lies on the most northern geographical extremes for viticulture, makes its produce of renowned wines even more admirable; whites that have established their status within the wine world as the pinnacle of elegance and clarity, strength and balance. Riesling is the focus here, which comes on different levels of complexity and sweetness, as each of Germany's regions, vineyards and producers is able to offer a unique, hand-crafted gem.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
Kerpen, Riesling Kabinett, Wehlener Sonnenuhr, Mosel, 2014	37
Dr. Bürklin-Wolf, Riesling Trocken QbA, Pfalz, 2015	40
Domdechant Werner, Riesling Trocken, Hochheimer Kirchenstück, Rheingau, 2011	69





## Austria

*It may seem a niche vinous producer nowadays, but there is evidence of viticulture within Austria's territories even since 2,000 B.C.!*

*The indigenous Grüner Veltliner varietal offers white wines of crispy fruit freshness, alongside with its trademark peppery elegance. On the other hand, the red wines made here are light and earthy, yet complex and intriguing; Esterházy's Zweigelt is an exemplary sample of this style.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
<b>O</b> Sonnhof, Grüner Veltliner, Trocken, Jurtschitsch, Kamptal, 2015	31
<b>Red</b>	
<b>E</b> Esterházy, Zweigelt, Burgenland, 2014	34
<b>E</b> Esterházy, Pinot Noir, Burgenland, 2013	36

## Spain

*With an abundance of local grapes giving their juice for us to enjoy different styles, such as the crisp and fruity Albariño from Rías Baixas, or the comforting and spicy Tempranillo from Rioja, Spain has a favourite for every palate.*

*The Iberic country's diversity of soils and climates is a major factor for the variety of styles on offer, but what is common between Spain's winemakers, is their ability to produce wines expressive of their long history and tradition, as well as their passion for good life and conviviality.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
Prado Rey, Verdejo, Rueda, 2015	29
Pazo de Villarei, Albariño, Rías Baixas, 2014	32
Cune, Barrel Fermented, Rioja, 2015	33
<b>Red</b>	
Rioja Vega, Crianza, Principe de Viana, Rioja, 2013	29
Viña Salceda, Reserva, Bodegas J. Chivite, Rioja Alavesa, 2010	41
Lytos, Agnès de Cervera, Priorat, 2010	59
Pesquera Tinto, Reserva, Bodegas Alejandro Fernández, Ribera del Duero, 2012	66



## Portugal

*Portugal, or Lusitania as it was known during the Roman era, with its famous Douro valley, or even with the recently demarked region of Alentejo, is a consistent provider of wholesome, satisfying red and white wines. As multi-varietal blends are the norm here, each estate winemaker's craftsmanship is what gives value to every bottle. Special mention must be provided here for the freshness, as well as the fruity and floral complexity of Vinho Verde's whites, which put this northern Portuguese sub-region on a category of its own. Soalheiro Alvarinho is an iconic execution of the style and a real pride for us to list.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
Tons de Duorum, Douro, 2015	26
Esporão, Reserva Branco, Alentejo, 2014	40
<b>E</b> Soalheiro, Alvarinho, Vinho Verde, 2013	49
<b>Red</b>	
Quinta da Manoella, Wine & Soul, Douro, 2014	44
Esporão, Reserva Tinto, Alentejo, 2014	54

## Greece

*Did you know that "wine" is a word of Greek origin and derives from the Homeric reference "oenos"? The ancient Greeks were also the first ones to have ever put the potion in wooden barrels and were the ones to convey its craft to the Romans, for it to continue its history until today.*

*Nowadays, far in time from the glories of the past and -thankfully- even further in style from the notorious retsinas of the 1980s, quality orientated Greek winemakers deliver exceptional wines to match any dish based on fresh ingredients. Especially Assyrtiko from Santorini is a varietal of outstanding quality and thrilling potential.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
<b>E</b> Domaine Hatzidakis, Assyrtiko, Santorini, 2015	40
<b>Red</b>	
Saint George, Aghiorghitiko, Skouras, Nemea, 2013	42



## Lebanon

*Lebanon is one of the most ancient vinicultural sites of the world, with references of its wine even within the Old Testament books.*

*During the 20th Century and until today though, it has built a great reputation among wine drinkers, as the country's winemaking has been influenced by both French dominance and British trade, but still in keeping with its own unique style.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>Rosé</b>	
Massaya, Classic Rosé, Ghosn, Brunier & Hebrard Vignerons, Beqaa Valley, 2015	39

### **Red**

Chateau Musar, Gaston Hochar, Bekaa Valley, 2009	73
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## South Africa

*The first ever grape harvest and wine making effort ever to have taken place in South Africa, happened in 1659. Fast forward until the late 1980s and early 1990s, it was when the country realised its true quality potential, started working with world class winemakers and focusing more on international grape varieties such as Cabernet Sauvignon and Chardonnay.*

*The result is today's magnificent vinous produce of the country, which stands in expression somewhere between the New World generosity and Old World elegance.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
Vondeling, Babiana, Voor Paardeberg, Paarl, 2015	32
<b>E</b> Missionvale, Chardonnay, Bouchard Finlayson, Hemel-En-Aarde, Walker Bay, 2012	57

### **Red**

Vondeling, Erica, Voor Paardeberg, Paarl, 2013	33
Kaapzicht, Pinotage, Stellenbosch, 2012	45
Rubicon, Meerlust Estate, Stellenbosch, 2012	68
Vondeling, Bowwood Pinotage, Voor Paardeberg, Paarl, 2014	71



## Australia

*Blessed with its continental size and immensely diverse geography, Australia is an undisputable origin of wines of finest quality. With today's popular taste moving away from the Aussie sippers' past renown as "fruit-bombs", it is very exciting to see new, more contemporary and elegant wines to be coming from Down Under. Certainly, producers like Kaesler from Barossa Valley and McHenry Hohnen from Margaret River have created a separate category of their own within the world trade. However, there is always room for new discoveries, such as our favourite Bird in Hand wines from Adelaide Hills.*

	<i>75cl</i>
<b>White</b>	
House of Certain Views, Chardonnay, Unwooded, Hunter Valley, 2015	29
Two in the Bush, Semillon - Sauvignon Blanc, Bird in Hand, Adelaide Hills, 2014	36
<b>Red</b>	
<i>E</i> Three Amigos, Shiraz - Grenache - Mataro, McHenry Hohnen, Margaret River, 2012	39
Mitchell, Shiraz, Peppertree Vineyard, Clare Valley, 2009	44
Hollick, Cabernet Sauvignon, Coonawarra, 2012	56
<i>E</i> Old Bastard, Shiraz, Kaesler, Barossa Valley, 2013	132

## New Zealand

*Through the years, Marlborough's wine makers have placed the region firmly onto its contemporary iconic status. Yet Churton Wines hold a special position within the Shropshire audience's preferences. The estate's owner and wine maker, Sam Weaver, who was born and raised in Church Stretton, is responsible for their biodynamically made wines, that manage not only to keep up, but also raise the standards with their clarity, strength and definition.*

*Of course, New Zealand is not just about Marlborough. Great wines are being made on both the North and South Island. Red examples of great character can be sourced from Hawke's Bay, whereas Auckland can pride themselves for their stunning whites.*

	<i>75cl</i>
<b>White</b>	
Kumeu Village, Pinot Gris, Auckland, 2014	32
<i>B</i> Churton, Sauvignon Blanc, Marlborough, 2015	41
<b>Red</b>	
<i>E</i> Gimblett Road, Cabernet - Merlot - Malbec, Pask, Hawke's Bay, 2013	41
<i>E</i> Te Mata Estate, Syrah, Hawke's Bay, 2014	49
<i>B</i> Churton, Pinot Noir, Marlborough, 2012	66



## Argentina

*Being the world's largest beef producer, it is only natural that the country of the "gauchos" has a great taste and skill for making wholesome red wines, which can stand up next to their meaty cuisine. Equally important is the French influence that has introduced the famous Malbec varietal to Argentina and has given it the chance to shine as the country's wine speciality. Of course, one must not forget the indigenous Torrontés, which offers white wines of floral and supple aromatic complexity.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
Don Cristóbal 1492, Torrontés, Mendoza, 2015	29
<b>E</b> Gran Lurton, Corte Friuliano, Bodega François Lurton, Mendoza, 2012	53
<b>Red</b>	
<b>E</b> Tierra de Luna, Syrah - Malbec, Bodega Piedra Negra, François Lurton, Wine of Argentina, 2015	28
Gouguenheim, Flores del Valle, Blue Melosa Malbec, Escondido Valley, Mendoza, 2011	39

## Chile

*Wine making in Chile has got its roots steeped deep into history, starting as early as the 16th Century A.D. and continuing until today.*

*The turning point for its wine industry though was the late 19th Century. It was then, when prestigious producers from Bordeaux chose to move their activities to the west of the Andes, trying to avoid the phylloxera louse, which was destroying the vineyards of Europe, but never affected Chile.*

*Consequently, French varietals like Sauvignon Blanc and Carménère are used even nowadays, creating potions of great elegance, but also made with the distinctive, fruity style that has been Chile's trademark during the years.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b>White</b>	
<b>B</b> Araucano, Reserva, Sauvignon Blanc, Lolol Valley, 2015	32
<b>B</b> Novas, Grand Reserva, Chardonnay, Emiliana Vineyards, Casablanca Valley, 2015	33
<b>Red</b>	
<b>E</b> Cousiño Macul, Cabernet Sauvignon, Antiguas Reservas, Maipo Valley, 2012	33
Santa Ema Estate, Carménère Reserva, Cachapoal Valley, 2013	34



**U.S.A.**

*Many times, when we think about American wines, an immediate connection is made with the vinous produce of California.*

*Very rightly so, the Golden State has created its own wine category, which appeals to the lover of rich, spicy whites and smooth, muscular reds.*

*Off the piste though and further away north, one can discover the charm of the Pinot Noirs from Oregon, with Willakenzie Family presenting us with “Gisèle”, a stunning Burgundian-like example of the style.*

	<b>75cl</b>
<b><i>White</i></b>	
<b>E</b> Cline Cellars, Viognier, North Coast, California, 2015	41
Bogle Vineyards, Chenin Blanc, Clarksburg, California, 2014	42
<b><i>Red</i></b>	
Bogle Vineyards, Zinfandel, Clarksburg, California, 2014	43
Willakenzie Estate, Pinot Noir, Gisèle, Willamette Valley, Oregon, 2013	74
<b>E</b> Shafer Vineyards, One Point Five, Cabernet Sauvignon, Stag's Leap, California, 2013	123

***Magnum Bottles***

*Be it a celebration, a gathering of friends, or just a proactive patron catering for their thirsty guests, the choice of a double-sized bottle, or “magnum” as more commonly known, always adds to the sense of occasion.*

*A larger bottle gives to the wine the opportunity of slower and smoother ageing, but even better it offers the feel of comfort for the party that opens and leisurely enjoys it.*

*Choose your favourite one, sit back and watch the world go by!!*

	<b>150cl</b>
<b><i>White</i></b>	
Kumeu River, Chardonnay, Auckland, New Zealand, 2014	96
<b><i>Red</i></b>	
Vondeling, Cabernet Sauvignon - Merlot, Voor Paardeberg, Paarl, S. Africa, 2005	65
Rioja Vega, Crianza, Principe de Viana, Rioja, Spain, 2013	71



## *Sweet and Fortified Wines*

*Below you can find our selection of sweeter and fortified wines. We are indeed very passionate about our offering through this section, as we believe that many of the greatest wines of the world are made with a bit more sugar than usual, or a bit more alcohol, or even better a bit more of both...*

*Of course, you can find great classics like Sauternes and Port, but there is always something for everybody here, even for the not-so-sweet tooth. Especially styles like Sherry and Madeira are unique for their savoury, almost salty character; producers such as Gonzales Byass and Barbeito never fail to thrive delivering examples of these wines.*

75cl

### **France**

Muscat de St-Jean-de-Minervois, Petit Grain, Val d'Orbieu, Languedoc-Roussillon, NV <b>(37.5cl)</b>	20
Maestria, Pacherenc du Vic Bilh, Plaimont, Languedoc-Roussillon, 2014 <b>(50cl)</b>	28
Rivesaltes Grenat sur Grains, Domaine Boudau, Languedoc-Roussillon, 2014 <b>(37.5cl)</b>	29
Coteaux du Layon Saint-Aubin, Domaine des Forges, Loire, 2015	36
Château Rabaud-Promis, 1er Cru Sauternes, Bordeaux, 2011 <b>(37.5cl)</b>	49
Château Doisy Daëne, 2me Cru Barsac, Denis Dubourdieu, Bordeaux, 1989 <b>(37.5cl)</b>	56
Domaines Schlumberger, Gewurztraminer, Cuvée Anne, Sélection de Grains Nobles, Alsace, 1998	69
Domaines Schlumberger, Pinot Gris, Cuvée Clarisse, Sélection de Grains Nobles, Alsace, 1998	81
Château Climens, 1er Cru Barsac, Bordeaux, 1997	165

### **Italy**

Marsala Superiore, Ambra Secco, Lombardo, Sicily, NV	38
Vin Santo del Chianti, Geografico, Tuscany, 2010	57

### **Germany**

Meulenhof, Riesling Spätlese, Erdener Treppchen, Mosel, 2015	41
Kerpen, Riesling Auslese*, Wehlener Sonnenuhr, Mosel, 2011	58



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**Spain**

75cl

La Gitana, Manzanilla, Bodegas Hidalgo, Sanlúcar de Barrameda, NV (50cl)	27
Triana, Pedro Ximenez, Bodegas Hidalgo, Sanlúcar de Barrameda, NV (50cl)	41
Leonor, Palo Cortado, 12 años, Gonzalez Byass, Jerez de La Frontera, NV	45

**Portugal**

Moscatel de Setúbal Colheita, Bacalhôa, Peninsula de Setúbal, 2012	35
Niepoort Late Bottled Vintage Port, Douro, 2011	61
10 Year Old Tawny Port, Quinta do Noval, Douro, NV	67
Taylor's Vintage Port, Quinta de Vargellas, Douro, 2002	71
10 Year Old Sercial, Reserva Velha, Barbeito, Madeira, NV	73

**Hungary**

Tokaji Aszú, 5 Puttonyos, Tokaj Classic Winery, 2011 (25cl)	53
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**Greece**

Samos Nectar, Vin Naturallement Doux, E.O.S. of Samos, 2009 (37.5cl)	37
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**South Africa**

Vondeling, Sweet Carolyn, Voor Paardeberg, Paarl, 2012 (50cl)	41
Catherine Marshall, Myriad, Elgin, 2008 (37.5cl)	47
<i>E</i> Vin de Constance, Natural Sweet Wine, Klein Constantia, Constantia, 2013 (50cl)	95
<i>E</i> Vin de Constance, Natural Sweet Wine, Klein Constantia, Constantia, 1997 (50cl)	115

**Australia**

Margan Estate, Botrytis Semillon, Hunter Valley, 2012 (37.5cl)	35
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**U.S.A.**

Elysium, Black Muscat, Quady Winery, Madera, California, 2014 (37.5cl)	35
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# Bar List

All Spirits and Refreshments are subject to availability. All prices are in GBP (£) and inclusive of VAT. All Spirits are served as 50ml measures; 25ml measures are also available, please ask a member of Staff.



**"Juniper the Gin Snake slithered through the night  
Through my door across my floor and held me in her sight**

**She coiled, she wrapped my resolve, she sapped as she held me nice and tight  
Then a heartbeat missed, when Juniper hissed "I can make you feel alright"**

**Her needle teeth lay underneath the smile upon her lips  
And with her wise hypnotic eyes she held me there transfixed**

**And it wasn't long before she bit my tongue and I felt her venom drip  
Her taste in my mouth, my mind went south, as into her trance I slipped**

**When I came round, I was on the ground and Juniper wasn't there  
She'd had her fun, brain damage was done and she'd left without a care**

**So into the bin went her shed skin and I was almost to despair  
because I yearned for more  
But then through the door  
walked Malt, the Whisky Bear"**

*Ian Woods*



*Within the following pages, you can browse through our Bar List and maybe find your choice of an appetising pre-dinner drink, or the ideal culmination for your evening in the form of a comforting digestif.*

*As one would expect, there is a great and diverse variety of gins, whiskies and brandies available. Yet we take special pride for our selection of locally sourced liqueurs, including not just the ones from the famous Chase distillery, but also the hidden gems of Shropshire: Chilton liqueurs and White Heron British cassis.*

## Soft Drinks and Fruit Juices

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Coca Cola (20cl)	2
Coca Cola Diet (20cl)	2
Orange / Apple Juice (20cl)	2
Schweppes Mixers (12.5cl)	2
Appletiser (27.5cl)	2.5
Fever Tree Tonic Water (20cl)	2.5
Fever Tree Naturally Light Tonic Water (20cl)	2.5
Tea / Coffee	2.5
Heartsease Fiery Ginger Beer (33cl)	3
Heartsease Raspberry Lemonade (33cl)	3
Heartsease Victorian Lemonade (33cl)	3
Wenlock Spring Natural Mineral Water (33cl)	2
Wenlock Spring Natural Mineral Water (75cl)	4

## Beers and Ciders

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Beck's Blue, Alcohol-Free Beer, Germany (27.5cl)	3.5
Peroni Nastro Azzuro, Birra Superiore, Italy (33cl)	4.5
Ludlow Gold, Ludlow Brewing Company, Ludlow, England (50cl)	5
Grolsch, Premium Lager, Holland (45cl)	5
Willy's Cider, The Wonky Barn, Medium Dry, Herefordshire, England (50cl)	5
Willy's Elegant Superlative Cider, Herefordshire, England, 2015 (75cl)	16



## Gin

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Gordon's Special, Scotland	5
Bombay Sapphire, England	6
Tanqueray Export Strength, Scotland	6
Williams Chase Extra Dry, Herefordshire, England	6
Hendrick's, Scotland	7
Williams Chase Elegant Crisp, Herefordshire, England	7
Williams Chase Seville Orange, Herefordshire, England	7
Langtons No1, Cumbria, England	8
Tanqueray 10, Scotland	8
Tiger Premium, Shropshire, England	8
Zuidam 5 Year Old, Single Barrel Genevere, Holland	9
Bobby's Schiedam Dry Gin, Holland	11



## Whisky

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Famous Grouse, Blended, Scotland	5
Maker's Mark, Straight Bourbon, Kentucky, U.S.A.	6
Bowmore 12 Year Old, Single Malt, Islay, Scotland	8
Elijah Craig 12 Year Old, Straight Bourbon, Kentucky, U.S.A.	8
Glenmorangie Original 10 Year Old, Single Malt, Highlands, Scotland	8
Highland Park 12 Year Old, Single Malt, Orkney, Scotland	8
Macallan Gold, Single Malt, Highlands, Scotland	8
Dalwhinnie 15 Year Old, Single Malt, Highlands, Scotland	9
Penderyn, Madeira Finish, Single Malt, Wales	9
Talisker, Single Malt, Isle of Skye, Scotland	9
Oban 14 Year Old, Single Malt, Highlands, Scotland	10
Glenfarclas 15 Year Old, Single Malt, Speyside, Scotland	11
Caol Ila, Hepburn's Choice 6 Year Old, Single Cask, Islay, Scotland	12



## Brandy

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Cognac VS, Courvoisier, France	6
Bas-Armagnac VSOP, Château du Tariquet, France	7
Cognac VSOP, Fine Petite Champagne, Château de Montifaud, France	8
Calvados du Pays d'Auge VSOP, Dupont, France	9
1983 Cognac, Grande Champagne, Delamain, France	15

## Rum

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Doorly's, White, Barbados	5
Mount Gay Eclipse, Golden, Barbados	6
Kraken, Spiced, Carribean	7
Wood's, Old Navy, Guyana	7

## Vodka, Eau de Vie and Other Spirits

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Smirnoff Vodka, Russia	5
Kümmel, Wolfschmidt, England	6
Chase Marmalade Vodka, Herefordshire, England	7
Chase Naked Apple Vodka, Herefordshire, England	7
Chase Potato Vodka, Herefordshire, England	7
Chase Rhubarb Vodka, Herefordshire, England	7
Chase Smoked Vodka, Herefordshire, England	7
Sotol, Reposado, Hacienda de Chihuahua, Mexico	7
Pastis Grand Cru, Henri Bardouin, France	7
Eau de Vie de Framboise, Tradition, G. Miclo, France	8
Grey Goose Original Vodka, France	8



## Liqueurs & Vermouths

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Baileys, Irish Cream, Ireland	5
Campari, Bitters, Italy	5
Cassis Noir de Bourgogne, Giffard, France	5
Chase Blackcurrant Liqueur, Herefordshire, England	5
Chase Elderflower Liqueur, Herefordshire, England	5
Chase Raspberry Liqueur, Herefordshire, England	5
Chase Rhubarb Liqueur, Herefordshire, England	5
Chilton Damson Gin Liqueur, Shropshire, England	5
Chilton Raspberry Vodka Liqueur, Shropshire, England	5
Chilton Seville Orange Gin Liqueur, Shropshire, England	5
Cinzano Bianco, Vermouth, Italy	5
Malibu, Rum Liqueur, Barbados	5
Martini Bianco, Vermouth, Italy	5
Martini Extra Dry, Vermouth, Italy	5
Martini Rosso, Vermouth, Italy	5
Tia Maria, Coffee Liqueur, Italy	5
White Heron, British Cassis, Herefordshire, England	6
Cointreau, Triple Sec, France	6
Drambuie, Whisky Liqueur, Scotland	6
Pimm's No 1, England	6
Southern Comfort, Whiskey Liqueur, U.S.A.	6
Salizá, Amaretto, Italy	6
Sipsmith Sloe Gin, London, England	8

